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## North Central Human Service Center establishes satellite office in north Minot at Lewis and Clark School

BISMARCK, N.D. – To serve clients affected by access issues between north and south Minot, the N.D. Department of Human Services' North Central Human Service Center has opened a satellite office at Lewis and Clark Public School, 2215 8<sup>th</sup> St. NW in Minot. The center is co-locating with a satellite clinic being set up by Trinity Hospital and will have staff on-site from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., weekdays beginning Monday, June 27.

Human service center professionals working out of the satellite site in north Minot include mental health nurses, counselors, case managers who serve people with developmental disabilities or serious mental illnesses, addiction treatment professionals, and community services staff. Clients will be able to access core services. Human service center staff will be prepared to provide medication management services, counseling, and treatment and support services.

Trinity Hospital will have mental health professionals staffing the Lewis and Clark Center too.

North Central Human Service Center's main office remains open and readily accessible to residents of south Minot at 1015 S. Broadway, Suite 18.

People who would like to seek help coping with this flood disaster can also locate mental health professionals by calling 2-1-1. Additionally, North Central Human Service Center has a Crisis Mental Health Line at 701-857-8500 or toll-free at 1-888-470-6968.

"We are here for the community to help meet their needs and to support their resiliency and recovery," said Carol Olson, Executive Director of the N.D. Department of Human Services.